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DEATHS.

On August 1st, at Kiukiang, FREDERICK AUGUSTUS PEARSON, aged 57 years.

On August 13th, at Shanghai, CYRIL ALEXANDER LAWRENCE, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Thos J. Roche, aged 18 months.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, AUGUST 20TH, 1912.

THE statement made by the Chairman of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at the meeting of shareholders on Saturday regarding the proposed international loan to China is one to which prominence will doubtless be given in the Press of the whole world. The statements made by Sir EDWARD GREY and Mr. ACLAND in the House of Commons have not sufficed apparently to dissipate the absurd idea that the International Group of Bankers, with the support of Governments at their back, have been trying to force upon China a huge loan far in excess of the country's needs—a loan which would place China under such financial obligation to Europe as would seriously threaten her autonomy. On more than one occasion Sir EDWARD GREY has explicitly stated in Parliament that the Governments concerned will not give their approval and support to any agreement which does not make the real interests of China a primary consideration. He has explained that there is no intention of forcing China to borrow more than she wants, or to borrow at all if she does not want to do so. It has been stated by Mr. ACLAND, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, that "the initiative in this matter lies with the Chinese Government,

stable administration and to consolidate her position, and no attempt is being made to force China to borrow anything. The position is that, if money is borrowed, it should be on proper terms—terms which will ensure the safety of the capital, and so avoid all political complications. The statement made on Saturday by the Hon. Mr. Ross, as Chairman of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, emphasises these declarations. The statements disseminated by "newspapers of standing" to the effect that the International Bankers are attempting to force on China enormous sums without regard to her financial circumstances or ability to repay, Mr. Ross described as "a gross misrepresentation of the facts." Mr. Ross confirmed what in effect Sir EDWARD GREY stated two months ago, namely, that "it is for China to fix the limit of her own requirements." That, however, is not to say that China would get without question as large a sum as her statesmen might be inclined to ask for.

"I am in a position to state," said the Chairman of the Hongkong Banking Corporation, "that the groups have not ceased to urge a policy of retrenchment and of such assiduous development of her internal credit and resources as will enable her to restrict present foreign borrowings to the lowest possible figure. The re-establishment of a stable Government on a sound economic basis is the aim of all concerned." This is sound, intelligible policy, and it shows how wide of the mark the critics have been in attributing to the groups of financiers interested in the loan negotiations a desire to force on China a huge loan regardless of her financial circumstances or her ability to repay. The newspapers which the CHAIRMAN must have had particularly in mind, presumably, were the London *Daily Telegraph* and the *Pall Mall Gazette*, which have condemned the financiers in no unmeasured terms, and *The Times* has recently brought itself almost into the same category, for less than six weeks ago, in a leading article, it said: "While the Under-Secretary for India, who doubtless spoke after consultation with the Foreign Office, frankly recognises the gravity of the situation created by the inability of the Central Government to govern, an influential group of bankers propose to invite the British public to help in providing China with a huge loan, which if the figures named are correct, will ultimately increase the foreign indebtedness of China by something like 40 per cent. . . . We do not wish to see British money hastily hazarded on the mere chance that things may come right in the end. Still less do we wish to see British financial interests further involved at so critical a juncture in China, at the risk of finding ourselves ultimately drawn into active intervention for their protection." Dr. MORRISON, not a month before, had stated the actual position clearly and tersely. "The fact is," he wrote, "the four Governments, with their accumulated experience of Turkey, Persia, Egypt, Morocco, Honduras, and other countries, are, by insisting on safeguards, making a real effort to prevent China from falling to pieces. The groups, with their vested interests in the country, embracing the major part of the foreign debt of China, of the exchange banking, and of railway enterprises, and taught by their own experience of the danger of relaxing safeguards, are loyally following the policy laid down. None of the Governments, except the French, can stop their nationals from taking risks, but they can and do warn their people that in their opinion safeguards are comparatively necessary. The Chinese objection to such safeguards is based on the fear that they may involve foreign domination. But, in fact, this is precisely what they are framed to prevent, for an increase of the foreign debt without the most careful precautions for repayment might lead to foreign intervention, whereas no such intervention is possible if effective supervision is exercised over expenditure." That was the position three months ago; it remains the position to-day, and no progress with the negotiations seems possible until public opinion in the provinces comes into line with that of the Advisory Council, which agreed to the conditions some months ago. Dr. MORRISON's view two months ago was that, if Peking were to yield to the clamour of the provinces, there would be no Central Government, and we should soon find ourselves where we were before the Revolution. On the other hand, having regard to the growth of political factions in China, it seems to us that if Peking were to act in defiance of public opinion in the provinces upon this question, there would be confusion worse confounded in China. The provinces have been clamour-

The English mail of the 20th July was delivered in London on the 17th inst.

A woman who jumped from a tram-car in motion near the Western Market received injuries which necessitated her removal to the hospital.

Singapore papers announced the sudden death of Mr. J. H. Butt, of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co.'s cable depot at Keppel Harbour.

For behaving in a disorderly manner at the Lyre Refuge, John Allen was at the Magistracy yesterday fined \$25 or one month's imprisonment.

The return of cases of communicable disease for last week shows four cases of plague; one of diphtheria, three of enteric fever and one of puerperal fever.

A child fell from the verandah of a house in Wan Chai Road on Sunday and received a fractured skull. Death ensued shortly after the child had been admitted to hospital.

During an opium raid in the Western district on Sunday a Chinese in order to evade arrest jumped from the window of the first floor of the house and received injuries which had to be attended to in hospital.

Dr. MORRISON will be married shortly after arrival in England to Miss Jessie Robin. Dr. and Mrs. Morrison will come out to China by Siberia in the latter part of September, after a honeymoon spent on the Continent.

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We are informed by the Commissioners of Customs for Kowloon and District that the entrance light to the West River at Wangmoon has been temporarily changed from a dioptric occulting to a dioptric fixed white light visible in clear weather to a distance of ten miles.

In Formosa, says the United States Consul, large areas are to be planted with camphor trees during the next few years. The trees now utilised are 300 to 1,000 years old, and the Japanese wisely intend to conserve the source of supply of one of their important monopolies.

Quarry Bay district is suffering from the same kind of robberies which are at present so common in other parts of the Colony. Thieves take advantage of open verandahs to search houses for portable articles. Several houses have been visited in this way during the past few days.

Richard Dallas of Shanghai has been committed for trial on a charge of fraudulent conversion of ten Chinese Republican bonds to his own use and thereby feloniously stealing same. Accused was admitted to bail, himself in \$500 and two British securities of \$1,000 each.

In view of the many robberies and burglaries which are taking place in the Colony the police are very vigilant in dealing with suspicious characters. Yesterday a man found at Kowloon was brought before the Magistrate charged with being a rogue and a vagabond. He was sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment.

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A Yaumati woman reports to the police that she lost \$20 through being tricked by a man who came to her house and informing her that her husband was in prison for smuggling opium asked for \$100 so as to pay his fine. She had not that money, but she gave him \$20, and accompanied the man on his way to the police station. However, he said he would visit a friend to see if he would lend him \$80 so as to get the man out. She waited while he went into a house, but she never saw him again. Her husband came home in due course and was surprised to hear the story that had been invented.

The methods of the police in dealing with banishment orders is open to comment if what was said at the Magistracy yesterday be true. A Chinese was charged before Mr. Irving with having returned from banishment. At first he denied the charge, but afterwards pleaded guilty, explaining that though the banishment order had been made out against him he had never left the Colony.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. C. KOENIG.

We deeply regret to record that Mr. C. Koenig, a well-known exchange broker of Hongkong, died suddenly on Sunday morning. He was spending the week end on Mr. Bunn's yacht, and on Sunday morning about seven o'clock, the party went ashore at one of the beaches in Mirs Bay intending to bathe. Mr. Koenig had walked down the beach and standing about up to the knee in the water, shouted to his friends that the water was warmer than on the previous night. He must have had a seizure almost at the moment, and fallen forward, for Mr. Bunn, when he looked saw that something was wrong, and went to Mr. Koenig's assistance. He was immediately taken out of the water, in a lifeless condition, and though efforts were made to resuscitate him, these proved unavailing.

Mr. Koenig had resided in the Colony about ten years. Originally he was chief shipping clerk with Messrs. Melchers & Co. Some years ago he was a very prominent member of the Victoria Recreation Club, and had won many trophies in the regattas here. Of late years he had suffered from heart trouble, and this was the cause of his sudden death. His funeral took place at the Happy Valley last evening and the large attendance at the funeral testified to his popularity which was by no means confined to the German community. He was but 33 years of age, though he looked much older, and he was not married.

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[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE ATTITUDE OF ULSTER.

SIR E. CARSON'S REPLY TO MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL.

LONDON, August 19th.

Sir Edward Carson, replying to Mr. Churchill's recent speech regarding the attitude of Ulster towards Home Rule for Ireland, said Ulstermen were only fighting to escape from abandonment to those they rightly abhor. The betrayal of Ulstermen was unprecedented. Whatever disastrous consequences may ensue, it would be the fault of the originators of the Government's policy.

THE INSURANCE ACT.

STRIKE OF ENGINEER APPRENTICES.

LONDON, August 19th.

The engineer apprentices in Scotland have struck in protest against the Insurance Act.

The apprentices at Glasgow have sent an ultimatum to Mr. Lloyd George, by telegraph, demanding that he amend the Act or resign.

THE PANAMA CANAL BILL.

PRESIDENT UNLIKELY TO SIGN THE BILL.

LONDON, August 19th.

A Washington message states that the House of Representatives has agreed to the Conference report on the Panama Canal Bill.

President Taft however, has informed callers at the White House that he was not certain if he could sign the Bill as the provision of free tolls for American ships would seriously embarrass the United States. He favoured allowing foreign nations to test the question in the United States Courts.

LATER.

A Washington telegram reports that the British Chargé d'Affaires has made earnest informal representations to President Taft against any step being taken that the temper of the American people may make it difficult to retract.

TURKEY AND ITALY.

PEACE REPORTS.

LONDON, August 19th.

Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople telegraphs that it is understood that informal private pourparlers have begun between the new Turkish delegates and the Italian representatives to discover basis for the conclusion of peace.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN'S FUNERAL.

SUPREME COURT.

Monday, 10th August.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (HON. MR. REES DAVIES, K.C.)

The Criminal Sessions for August were opened yesterday. The calendar including four cases, embracing 14 prisoners.

KIDNAPPING.

Lai Hing, pleaded not guilty to kidnapping a boy six years old from the custody of his father. Hon. Mr. J. A. S. Bucknill, instructed by Mr. J. H. Kemp, Crown Solicitor, appeared for the Crown, prisoner being undefended.

Mr. Angus Sinclair, marine superintendent in the service of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company, whose name was called on the jury, asked to be excused service on the ground that a ship belonging to the firm had to undergo survey. He produced a letter from the head of the firm, and after His Lordship had read it, he said he thought the circumstances were exceptional, and excused Mr. Sinclair from attendance.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. F. H. Grapnell, R. Booth, P. J. V. Jorge, Jnr., V. F. Soares, H. A. Gutierrez, A. B. Rouse and M. A. dos Reis.

After hearing the evidence, the jury returned a verdict of guilty.

His Lordship, in passing sentence, said the crime of kidnapping was becoming too frequent in the Colony, and they were trying all they possibly could to ensure that people should not have children taken away from their custody. The law of the Colony had recently been altered to enable the Courts to impose corporal punishment in cases of that kind. He thought that was the first time that the power had been exercised in kidnapping cases, and he hoped it would act as a deterrent to others. He passed sentence of five years' imprisonment and ordered the prisoner to receive 20 strokes with the birch.

DETAINING GIRLS.

An old woman was charged with detaining two girls who had been kidnapped from China. She pleaded not guilty, and the Attorney-General (Hon. Mr. J. A. S. Bucknill) prosecuted, instructed by Mr. J. H. Kemp.

It was stated that a man named Abbas, in the Government employ, while travelling to Yau-mati, heard the girls scream as they neared the landing place. As he spoke Chinese very well, he made inquiries and offered to assist the old woman. However, he took her to the Police Station, where she was given in custody.

His Lordship remarked that the act of Abbas was very creditable.

The prisoner alleged that Abbas did it in order to secure a reward of \$20.

In reply to his Lordship, Abbas said that he knew nothing of such a reward.

The Attorney-General said if there were any reward Abbas would certainly get it, but unfortunately there was not.

The jury found the prisoner guilty.

His Lordship said that as the prisoner was well on in years he would not pass so severe a sentence as he would have done on a younger woman. She would be imprisoned for two years with such hard labour as the gaol authorities thought advisable.

ALLEGED ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE.

Four men and a woman were charged with robbery with violence, and with receiving stolen property. Prisoners pleaded not guilty.

The Attorney-General prosecuted on behalf of the Crown, prisoner being unrepresented.

The jury was empanelled as follows:—Messrs. L. M. Whyte, H. J. Westphal, T. Braun, H. W. Petley, E. F. G. Orchard, H. J. Ruttonjee, and S. H. Michael.

The Attorney-General stated that the case for the Crown was that on or about July 3rd a robbery took place, when a house at Yau-mati was entered by a gang of men and a large quantity of articles was stolen. There was violence exhibited and the husband of the complainant in the case was actually cut. The men were armed. The Crown suggested that the prisoners were some of the gang, and the woman, who was the wife of the first prisoner, was the receiver of the proceeds of the robbery. After the robbery nothing could be done, and the gang could not be traced until one day, the first prisoner, who appeared to be a very dangerous fellow, was arrested in connection with another charge. It was found that he was carrying a loaded revolver and a quantity of cartridges. His house was searched and as a result some of the stolen property was discovered.

Evidence was heard, and the case adjourned.

THE NEW ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

WELCOMED BY THE CHIEF JUSTICE.

Yesterday morning on taking his place in the Supreme Court for the first time the new Attorney-General, Hon. Mr. J. A. S. Bucknill, was addressed by the Chief Justice as follows:—

His Lordship said:—Mr. Attorney, —It gives us very much pleasure to welcome you to the Courts of this Colony. The pleasure afforded me, I assure you, is significant, because not only do you follow me in the position which I had the honour to hold for five years in this Colony, but you also succeeded me in the same position in the Island of Cyprus. In Cyprus, Mr. Attorney, the work of the Courts is controlled by no less than three languages, and while I congratulate you on the fact that in the Courts of Hongkong there are strictly only two languages, yet there are so many dialects of Chinese that I am not at all sure that your position here will be free from language difficulties, although I feel sure you will soon master all the Chinese dialects. We welcome you with pleasure and hope your time in Hongkong will be agreeable and prosperous.

Mr. Bucknill in reply said:—The kind and generous remarks which you have been good enough to make on my first appearance before your Lordship as Attorney-General, I need hardly assure you are greatly appreciated by me. I suppose that civilians, or at any rate some civilians, who are in the service of the Crown abroad, ought to regard themselves, more or less, as soldiers, ready, and more or less willing, to be transferred at extremely short notice from one side of the world to the other. One cannot help feeling, when one comes to a new place, regret at leaving another spot, where, for five years, one has made many kind friends, has attained some acquaintance with the laws and customs of the place, and has also become more or less conversant with some of the languages which are there spoken. But, on the other hand, one is glad to be given the opportunity of succeeding to a post which is one of the highest of the posts of legal adviser at the disposal of the Colonial Office. But what makes it difficult, and particularly difficult on my arrival here, is, my Lord, that I have to follow my predecessor so distinguished, so learned, and, if I may say so, so universally popular as yourself, but I hope and feel, judging from the kind welcome which I have received not only from your Lordship, but from others, and from the assistance and co-operation which I have already had from those with whom I shall have to work, that I may be able to fill the position to which I have been appointed, with dignity to myself and satisfaction to others. I shall always endeavour to the utmost of my ability to maintain that proper attitude which should exist between the bar and the bench and that friendship which should exist between the members of my profession, and I also hope I may be able to carry on my duties in a manner which shall gain the respect of all those with whom I have to co-operate, and before whom I have to appear. I thank you most sincerely for your kind welcome.

FIRE AT THE PALACE HOTEL.
SHANGHAI.For over an hour at lunch time yesterday, says the *N.-C. Daily News* of Wednesday last, there was considerable excitement in the centre of the Settlement. At one o'clock the alarm was given that fire had broken out in the Palace Hotel, and the rapid arrival of the fire trucks and engines of the Fire Brigade was followed by a large concourse of spectators to whom the scene presented much of interest, if not at times excitement. The fire had occurred in the ornamental cupola at the north-west corner of the roof. Close to this cupola is the chimney of the kitchen, and it is thought that sparks from this had ignited the woodwork under the eaves, and thus set the place up in smoke and flame.

The covering of the cupola is of lead and iron, so that while there was a large volume of smoke, the flames added but little to the spectacular effect. When the outbreak was first discovered the staff of the hotel endeavoured to subdue it, but it was beyond their scope, and the danger which might have ensued to the rest of the building through an extension downwards was averted by the work of the Brigade. Although there are fire appliances throughout the hotel, it was found necessary to carry engine streams to the top in order to cope with the outbreak successfully, as the great height of the building rendered the pressure from the mains insufficient at that elevation. From time to time pieces of wood from the cupola fell to the ground, but the police had the crowd well back, so that accident was averted. Shortly after two o'clock the last remnant of the fire had been extinguished.

The structural damage is understood to be very slight. As has been stated, the cupola was purely ornamental, and was unused, although underneath were the servants' quarters. It is satisfactory to note that among the many guests in the hotel there was absolutely nothing in the nature of a panic, everything proceeding as usual.

CANTON.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LIKIN DUTY.

The Government here depends a good deal upon the revenue from the different Likin Stations in the province and the provincial financier has been complaining about laxity in collecting this duty and also about certain stations from which no report has come lately. He has issued a notice to the officers concerned that this duty must be forthcoming at regular intervals and that every precaution must be taken in levying the same, as the treasury here depends to a great extent upon this tax; and it is one of the only regular means of income. The collecting of Likin is essentially a Chinese institution and is a great hindrance to trade in many ways. At one time it was thought that it would be abolished, but the Government cannot afford to do away with any existing institution which brings in a dollar, and hence the trouble taken to see that the tax is being properly collected.

A MERCHANT AND THE CUSTOMS.

Quite a storm in a tea-cup has been caused at Kong-Moon on account of a merchant being fined \$100 by the Customs authorities there. This man sent seven packages of salt fish about a fortnight ago from Kong Moon to Shueung Shan and paid all the necessary duties before he left his hands. However, the Customs officer in charge of Shak-Ki station detained the goods and after much haranguing a fine of \$100 was imposed upon the shipper. This, of course, caused great indignation and many people were found ready to pick a quarrel over it. The Chamber of Commerce took up the merchant's case and put the matter before the provincial president, who decreed that the fine should be returned and an inquiry held on the matter. This incident, in itself of little importance, has caused quite a stir among the merchants about Kong Moon and they seem to think that the master was intended to be a hit at them.

DANGER FROM KEROSENE OIL.

Near the Yuet-Han Railway Station in Canton are moored quite a number of boats loaded with kerosene oil which is coming in to the city or going out. A rumour got abroad the other day that some secret society at enmity with the powers that be had formed a plan to set fire to these boats and so cause a scare and more than likely result in trouble and perhaps fighting. Naturally, the people in the vicinity resent the presence of these boats, which might constitute a grave danger to the community, and they are trying to get them removed. The matter has been brought before the Government and the Civil Commissioner has been directed to take steps for the moving of this oil wharf to some less dangerous spot.

A NEW PRISON.

A new prison fitted up in a modern fashion was to be built on the ground in front of the Assembly Hall and facing the Eastern Parade Ground; but the members of the provincial assembly think that this would spoil the outlook from that building and have petitioned the Governor to have the prison built elsewhere, or at least, not in front of the Assembly Hall. It certainly would be a pity to spoil the look of this building by planting a square block down in the grounds in front. The grounds in front give the place a distinguished appearance and sets off the building in a way that very few buildings in Canton enjoy.

ANOTHER SECRET SOCIETY.

Another Secret Society whose sphere of influence is on the borders of Kwangtung and Fokien provinces and which boasts over 4,000 members has been giving trouble. These people do not acknowledge the present authorities and refuse to obey laws made by them, with the natural result that there is continual trouble. The local officers seem unable to cope with them and there are not sufficient soldiers in the vicinity to put down any disturbance, so that the authorities in Canton have been asked for reinforcements to let these nuisances see that they cannot go on as they are doing with impunity. These societies are little less than a curse in some parts of the country and many people are rather easily led away by them.

THE BUND.

Crowds of matchheads of all descriptions have gone up all along the bund and the police do not have proper means of control over the inhabitants. They fear that bad characters may find these a lurking place, and also they fear that fire might break out in some of them, which would be serious in this the most used thoroughfare of the city.

The building of the bund goes on slowly, as slowly as ever. The steamboat company's wharf where the str. *Fatshan* and *Kinsan* used to lie has been attacked and is being taken down, the boats lying further down the river just now. The

bund wall is to be finished here and a new wharf erected, and also the corner of Shai Ki Street opposite the French Concession is raised off just now and being lifted up preparatory to the bund being carried round. It is to be hoped that this will be finished soon, as it is a very busy part of the city and the present detours that have to be made are annoying, to say the least.

SHOOTING PRISONERS.

After the Revolution prisoners condemned to death were no longer beheaded at the old execution ground, but were mostly shot in the vicinity of the Assembly Hall. Now they are to be no longer dealt with there, but a general execution ground is to be found elsewhere, as the numbers of the Assembly object strongly to the present site being used.

A DELIGHTFUL INCIDENT IN STOCK EXCHANGE LIFE.

A prominent firm of jobbers in the Marconi market in London has just granted to its clerks a bonus of no less than two years' full salary. No doubt the ably conducted firm made huge profits in the recent sensational activity in Marconi shares, and no doubt its staff of clerks worked hard and loyally. But even allowing for all this, the bonus seems exceedingly handsome and forms altogether a delightful incident in Stock Exchange life.

NEW USE FOR A CROWN.

The following amusing story is told in Danzig of the Crown Princess and her motor-car. Not long ago the Princess asked the Kaiser's permission to use her car without a crown being displayed on the panels. She wished, she said, to drive about more freely.

Recently the Kaiser noticed that the crown had been replaced in a prominent position on the car and inquired the reason why. "Oh, because we were so often held up by the police for furious driving," was the Crown Princess's reply; "but now we have put the crown back we are not bothered any more."

VETERAN FRENCH ACTOR.

M. Mounet-Sully, whose fortieth anniversary at the Comédie Française is being celebrated in Paris, is not only one of the greatest actors of our time, but, contrary to the usual precedent, he leapt into fame at the beginning of his career. His first appearance at the House of Molière was as long ago as 1872, in the role of Orestes in "Andromaque," and he scored an immediate triumph for his wonderful impersonation. His greatest roles are Othello, Lear, Ruy Elias, Hernani, and Hamlet, although critics have considered his interpretation of the last-named to be too full of Southern impetuosity. M. Mounet-Sully, who is over 70, has also achieved success as a playwright.

WOMAN'S FACE HALF YOUNG, HALF AGED.

A woman of Lyons who desired to have the beauty of youth restored to her and failed to achieve her wish asked the Court for £1,000 damages against a doctor as the price of disfigurement. The doctor had offered to remove the wrinkles in her cheeks by lifting the skin and sewing it to the forehead under her hair. The operation succeeded beautifully on the right cheek. The left cheek, however, refused to succumb to the beauty doctor's treatment, and the woman has now a youthful right cheek, which is firm and blooming, and an elderly left cheek, with wrinkles, and the half of a double chin. She thought that the disfigurement was worth £1,000. The court undecided her, and gave her nothing.

PORTERS IN UTOPIA.

The architects of modern Utopias have forgotten to adumbrate the Utopian porter. It has been left to the Prussian Minister for Public Works to present the world with the characteristics of the ideal porter. He has just issued detailed instructions to the employees of the State Railways. "Porters and guards alike are to be on the alert always to see that travellers find seats, and are to see to it that members of the same family are placed in the same compartment. They are to show ladies the seats specially reserved for them. At the main junctions they must indicate without delay the seats that are vacant for travellers who have changed their train. Finally, railway employees must inform travellers before the train arrives in the station of the approximate position of the carriages of the various classes."

MORE TROUBLE ABOUT BANK NOTES.

At a village fair near Canton known as Shau Chang there has been a great amount of hostility between the soldiers stationed there, the people and the merchants and shopkeepers over the question of local bank notes. The merchants openly stated that they did not want bank notes and would only accept them at 30 per cent discount. All traders there took up this position, and soon there was trouble with the soldiers, who, being paid in bank notes, tried to force the traders to accept them at face value. But for the intervention of the officer in charge, who reported the matter to the authorities, there would have been a fight about it there and then, and even after his intervention all that could be done was to reduce the discount to 20 per cent. There are a lot of soldiers quartered in this vicinity, and the chances of trouble are by no means over yet. The usual proclamation, of course, was issued that on penalty of all sort of punishments, bank notes must be accepted at face value, with the usual result that nobody took any notice of it.

ROBBERY ON THE RAILWAY.

At Shau-Pa Hang on the Yuet-Han Railway a daring robbery was committed on the 14th by about 20 armed men. Up till a few days previously there had been quartered near the railway a regiment of soldiers, and when these left the district the robbers saw their opportunity and used it. They boarded the train, held up the passengers and made off with a considerable amount of valuables and freight that was being carried by the train. Now that the horse has been stolen the stable door is to be locked again, and the troops to return to guard the railway at this point. This incident shows what a menace to business these bad characters, who are scattered everywhere over the province, are, and that it is an absolute necessity to have them rooted out.

ELECTRIC WIRES FALL.

During heavy rain a few days ago the electric wires in Yim Cheong Street, which were hanging very low, snapped and fell, injuring a fok of one of the shops in the street who was passing. The Head of the Police Department has noted the fact that in many places the wires hang too low and that accidents like this are liable to occur. Steps are to be taken to have this remedied at once.

NOTES AND NEWS.

WAR DOGS AS SENTRIES.

By permission of the General Officer Commanding Aldershot District, the Norfolk Regt. have requisitioned one of Major Richardson's trained war dogs. The dog is to be used for sentry work by night or by day in dense country, also for accompanying patrols at night.

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Hongkong, 17th August, 1912. [101]

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 19th at 12.10 p.m.—Pressure has increased considerably over N. Japan, but has dropped moderately over S. Japan, the Loochoos, N. Formosa and along the coast near Foochow. It is stationary elsewhere.

A depression, possibly a typhoon, lies over the S. Loochoos. It appears to be moving northward.

Moderate N. winds, freshening and backing to N.W., may be expected along the East coast of China and light or variable winds over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.03 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:

DISTRICT	FORECAST.
* Hongkong & Neighbourhood	West winds, fresh.
Formosa Channel	{ West winds, fresh.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Loochoos	Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	Same as No. 1.
* W. winds moderate; fine.	

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

19TH AUGUST, A.M.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Wind.	Direction.	Force.	Weather.
Vl'stock	7 a.	29.89	—	NS	2	—	—
Nemuro	6	29.89	—	NNW	3	—	—
Hakodate	—	29.89	—	NW	0	—	—
Takio	—	29.84	—	NE	1	—	—
Kochi	—	29.84	—	NE	1	—	—
Nagasaki	—	29.84	—	NE	1	—	—
Kyushu	—	29.76	—	E	1	—	—
Oshima	—	29.69	—	NNW	1	—	—
Naha	—	29.69	—	ESE	1	—	—
Ishigima	—	29.64	—	W	4	—	—
Bonin Is.	—	29.79	—	—	0	—	—
Chefoo	—	29.83	74	NE	2	or	—
Weihsien	—	29.79	72	NE	4	or	—
Hankow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kukkiang	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	—	29.63	72	10	NNW	3	cdm
Gatulai	—	29.75	75	—	—	—	—
Sharp Peak	7 a.	29.63	86	—	—	0 or	—
Amoy	6 a.	29.76	79	87	NNW	2	—
Swatow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Taihoku	5 a.	29.69	—	—	0	—	—
Taihoku	—	29.73	—	—	0	—	—
Taihoku	—	29.73	—	E	1	—	—
Koshien	—	29.70	—	NW	4	—	—
Pescadores	—	29.69	—	SW	4	—	—
Canton	9 a.	29.76	80	82	N	1	—
Hongkong	6 a.	29.72	79	91	W	1	—
Vietnam	—	7 a.	—	NNW	3	—	—
Gap Rock	6 a.	29.71	—	NNW	2	—	—
Macao	—	29.73	79	NNW	1	of	—
Wusihau	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
T. F. CLAXTON, Director.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hongkong Observatory, August 19th, 1912.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1 BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2 TEMPERATURE, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3 HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4 DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5 FORCE OF WIND according to Beaufort Scale.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6 STATE OF WEATHER, blue sky, a dotted cloud, a drizzle, rain, fogs, gales, haze, lightning, overcast, a plash, snow, sleet, a squall, rain, snow, thunder, visibility, w. dew (wet).	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7 RAIN in inches, tenths and hundredths.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, August 19th							
Previous On Day		On Day		On Day		On Day	
at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.	at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.	at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.	at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.
Barometer	29.70	29.72	29.70	29.72	29.70	29.72	29.70
Temperature	87	79	87	79	88	79	88
Humidity	68	91	68	91	66	91	66
Wind Direction	West						
Force	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Weather	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
Rain	0.00	—	0.00	—	0.00	—	0.00

Highest open air Temperature on 18th ... 89

Lowest open air Temperature on 18th ... 71

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 20th to 26th August, 1912.

HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.		ON SALE.		A TABLE OF THE	
Day	Week	High	Low	High	Low	Time	Rate
Tue.	20	2 m 22	5 m	5 m	2 m	h. m.	ft. in.
Wed.	21	3 m 22	5 m	5 m	3 m	h. m.	ft. in.
Thurs.	22	4 m 22	6 m	6 m	4 m	h. m.	ft. in.
Fri.	23	5 m 22	6 m	6 m	5 m	1 h. 51 m.	ft. in.
Satur.	24	6 m 26	6 m	6 m	2 m 43 s.	1 h. 56 m.	ft. in.
Sun.	25	7 m 16	6 m	6 m	0 m 42	4 o	ft. in.
Mon.	26	7 m 57	7 m	1 m	1 m 33	3	ft. in.
		10	0	4	5	3	0

ON SALE.

BOUND VOLUMES of the HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS, July to December 1911. With INDEX. Price 57.50.
On Sale at the "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" Office.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1912.

PALACE OF THE BEAUTIFUL.

SIR L. ALMA-TADEMA'S HOME FOR SALE.

The Pall Mall Gazette of the 20th July says:—

The most beautiful house in London is for sale. Everything about it is stamped with the personality of its late owner, Sir Lawrence Alma-Tadema.

And what a wonderful and varied personality it is seen to have been! It reveals itself to-day to the visitor to the home that he built with such lavish and artistic care in Grove End-road, St. John's Wood.

His love of woods is seen in every door, his love of antique things in every room, his love of polished brasses in every stair, and his love of paintings and of books on every wall.

It is a house, too, of charming vistas and of infinite variety. At one moment you are taken back through the ages to old Rome; at the next, by crossing a passage or turning the handle of a polished and decorated door, you are in seventeenth-century Holland, amongst antique windows and shutters, old oak carved ceilings, and old Dutch furniture, cabinets, and glass.

CHARMING VISTAS.

The vistas from the studio, from the halls, and from the rooms are a revelation of the wonderful effects that may be produced by artistic planning and arrangement.

You are rarely in one room but you have pretty vista of another beyond it. Or, if it is not a room, it is the garden; and the garden, with its marble fountain and its lake, full of tame carp, its avenues of ilxes, its arcade and its pergolas, its velvet lawns and its wealth of flowers and curtains of creepers, is as unique and as fascinating in its way, as the house itself.

Artists were so charmed with the house and had so deep an admiration and so warm an affection for its owner that they felt it a delight to decorate the panels of the Roman hall with their own paintings. Lord Leighton's original design for the Bath of Psyche is among them, with an interesting Poynter and Sargent and original work from numerous other representative modern painters.

THE MOTTOES ON THE WALLS.

When Mr. Carnegie visited the house some years ago he suggested for this hall the motto that Sir Lawrence afterwards inscribed on its walls. "I count myself in nothing else so happy as in a soul remembering my good friends."

Sir Lawrence, indeed, loved mottoes, as well as all other beautiful things that he gathered about him. "Sleep soundly; wake well," was the inscription that his guests and family found before them on retiring at night; and in the morning the first thing that greeted them as they came down the stairs was the further inscription on the wall, "A fair and cheerful morning to you."

In the atrium, with its Pompeian ceiling, its onyx window, and its cool fountain, with walls of alabaster, is the great desk, ten feet long, with its rich woods and panel casts of old ivories at which Sir Lawrence used to write standing:

From the gallery above, you look down upon the studio, a noble room of the finest proportions, with dome of aluminium and walls of rich marble, as the old Romans cut it, lengthwise, for support. Old Tunisian embroideries, Roman seats, Chinese chairs, Egyptian stools, have their place here; and though different periods and the workmanship of different races mark the furniture, the whole effect is one of perfect harmony.

A PRICELESS PIANO.

Here is Sir Lawrence's painting "The Death of the First-born" that he has left to the Museum at Amsterdam, and here the grand piano, made of various woods, exquisitely inlaid with ivory, tortoise shell, and mother-of-pearl, on the parchment panels of which great musicians, composers, and singers, Melba and Paderewski, Saint-Saëns and Joachim amongst them, have inscribed their names with the date on which they either played on it or sang to its sweet music.

There are many other wonderful things—rooms with Japanese paper and prints; galleries of paintings and engravings; a garden studio with a loggia; a billiard room with a perfect table and fine old tapestry curtains; and cupboards; bedrooms with delightful balconies; and beds with decorative headboards; bedrooms with delicate fabrics, and mother-of-pearl, on the parchment panels of which great musicians, composers, and singers, Melba and Paderewski, Saint-Saëns and Joachim amongst them, have inscribed their names with the date on which they either played on it or sang to its sweet music.

TREASURES ABOUND ON ALL SIDES.

Obviously it is a house that must be bought as it stands. To alter or to remove its beauties would be spoil them.

NATION AS PURCHASER.

It is suggested in some quarters that the purchaser should be the nation. Such an end would be worthy of the hand by which it was so wonderfully designed.

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ARRIVALS.

BOHEMIA, Austrian str., 2,303, P. Bartole, 10th August—Shanghai 10th August, General—Sander, Wider & Co., Cincin, British str., 1,340, W. L. Jones, 19th August—Shanghai 13th August, General—Butterfield & Swire, DEMONIUS, British str., 4,269, J. A. Davies, 10th August—Shanghai 17th August, General—Butterfield & Swire, ENDROY, British str., 4,901, H. W. L. Holman, 16th August—Shanghai 15th August, Beams, Shewan, Tones & Co., KOSTROMA, Russian str., 1,900, Petroff Tokareff, 19th August—Singapore 16th August, General—Order, KWONSANG, British str., 1,124, W. F. Bidard, 10th August—Swatow 18th August, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co., LAUZIES, British str., 1,240, C. Page, 19th August—Saigon 18th August, Rice and General—Chinese, LORD DENBY, British str., 2,461, W. H. Fellows, 18th August—Manila 16th August, General—Bank Line, Ltd., MICHAEL JESEN, German str., 19th August—Canton, PRINZ SIGISMUND, German str., 3,302, T. Lenz, 18th August—Sydney 27th August, General—Meichers & Co., SUNGKAN, British str., H. Mathias, 19th August—Hohow 18th August, General—Butterfield & Swire, TULIPAR, Dutch str., 2,500, J. C. Jucker, 10th August—Java 10th August, Sugar—Java-China Japan Lijn, ULY, Norwegian str., 885, J. Pedersen, 10th August—Port Valletta 16th August, Coal—Augard, Thorsen & Co.,

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE
August 19th.
BOHEMIA, British str., for Singapore.
GENELOCHY, British str., for Yokohama.
HANOI, French str., for Haiphong.
KOSTROMA, Russian str., for Nagasaki.
KWONGKANG, British str., for Canton.
LOCKSTEN, German str., for Bangkok.
MACHAON, British str., for Yokohama.
ULY, Norwegian str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.

August 19th.
CHENAN, British str., for Canton.
HUCHOW, British str., for Canton.
KAWACHI MARU, Japanese str., for B'hai.
KWANGLEE, Chinese str., for Canton.
MIYAJIMA MARU, Japanese str., for S'cow.
SHIPPING REPORTS.
The British str. *Kwonggang* reports fine weather.
The American str. *Zafiro* reports: Weather fine and clear.
The British str. *Glenray* reports: On August 18th, at 9 a.m., one of Java-China-Japan Lijn steamers signalled, passed wreck Chinese junk in Lat. 22deg. N. 117deg. 3' E. S. 41deg. W. The above junk was passed by us later and confirmed the position, afterpart of junk showing above water, and in the direct track of large steamers between Hongkong and Shanghai.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL
The P.M. str. *Korea*, carrying the American mail, was to leave Yokohama for this port via Kobe, Nagasaki and Manila on the 13th August, between 10 a.m. and noon.

The P.M. str. *Siberia* left San Francisco for Hongkong via Honolulu, the Japan ports and Shanghai on the 10th August.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL
The E. & A. str. *Empire* left Port Darwin on the 17th August; for this port (via Timor and Manila).

THE GERMAN MAIL
The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Ludwig*, carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 24th July, left Singapore on the 18th August, at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 22nd August, at 8 a.m.

THE CANADIAN MAIL
The C.P.R. Co.'s R. M. S. *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver, B.C., for Hongkong (via usual ports of call) on Wednesday, the 14th August, at a.m.

MERCHANT STEAMERS
The P. & O. str. *Ceylon* left Singapore on United Kingdom left Singapore on the 14th August, and is therefore due here on or about the 20th August.

The Swedish East Asiatic Co.'s str. *Nippon* left Singapore on the 15th August, and is expected to arrive here on the 20th August.

The I.G.M. str. *Luton* left Shanghai on the 17th August, at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 20th August, at 6 a.m.

The H.A.L. str. *Pisa* left Singapore on the 16th August, p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 22nd August, a.m.

The Barber Line str. *Saint Patrick* left New York on the 26th July, for Hongkong and Far East via the Straits.

The str. *Glenray* passed the Suu Canal on the 9th August for Hongkong via Straits.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.
Chingking, from Weihaiwei, is due in Hongkong 20th August.

Siuwang, from Batavia, is due in Hongkong 20th August.

Nansang, from Calcutta, is due in Straits and Hongkong 28th August.

Vetshing, from Calcutta, is due in Straits and Hongkong 1st September.

SHIRE LINE
Den of Glamis, from London, is due in Hongkong 2nd September.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of any vessel, the Harbour has been divided into four sections commanding from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "L," nearest Hongkong "R," midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "M," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "K.W." together with the number denoting the section.

SECTIONS.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's	2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier	3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard	4. From Naval Yard to I.M.S. Point
DESTINATION	VE. NO.	DATE	PLATE & CO.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	CANDIA	Brit. str.	R. E. Shone
LONDON, LEITH & ANTWERP	CARMARTHENSHIRE	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co.
LONDON, VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	ASSAYE	Brit. str.	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	GOLDENFELS	Ger. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co.
HAVRE, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	SUEVIA	Ger. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE
HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	O. J. U. ANLERS	Ger. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE
MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	MISHIMA MARU	Jan. str.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA
MARSEILLE, HAVRE, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c.	PREUSSER	Ger. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE
VICTORIA B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA
VICTORIA B.C. & TACOMA VIA KEELUNG & JAPAN	CHICAGO MARU	Jap. str.	OKA SHOSEN KAISHA
VICTORIA B.C. & TACOMA, VIA KEELEUNG, &c.	CANADA MARU	Jap. str.	TOKU BANK LTD.
VICTORIA, VANCOUVER B.C., SEATTLE & TACOMA, &c.	OTTERBECK	Brit. str.	MELCHERS & CO., LTD.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON	LUETZOW	Ger. str.	SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO.
NAPLES & ANTWERP, &c.	GENILOGAN	Brit. str.	SANDER, WEILDER & CO.
TRISTE, FUJI, VENICE VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VORWARTS	Aus. str.	SANDER, WEILDER & CO.
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NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL	ATHOLL	Aus. str.	SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO.
BOSTON & NEW YORK	INVERCLYDE	Brit. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	DAECE CASTLE	Brit. str.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	EMPERESS OF INDIA	Brit. str.	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA KEELUNG & JAPAN, &c.	MONTAGUE	2 m.	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA AMOK, SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	TENO MARU	Jap. str.	GIDE, LIVINGSTON & CO.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	PEPSIA	Aus. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIPE
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	AUDENHAM	Brit. str.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	MELCHERS & CO., LTD.
CAPEPORTS VIA MAURITIUS	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	TOYOKISEN KAISHA
MEXICAN, PERUVIAN & CHILEAN VIA JAPAN	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Brit. str.	TOYOKISEN KAISHA
YOKOHAMA, KOBE	MUTTRA	Brit. str.	TAJIBINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
YOKOHAMA, KOBE	AUSTRIA	Aus. str.	SANDER, WEILDER & CO.
YOKOHAMA, KOBE	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	MELCHERS & CO., LTD.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	JAPAN	Brit. str.	DAVID SASSON & CO., LTD.
KOBE & MOJI	HITACHI MARU	Jap. str.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU	Brit. str.	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINI
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KUBODAS	Brit. str.	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
JAPAN	CHUPHING	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIPE
TIENTSIN VIA SWATOW & TSINGTAU	HUICHOW	Brit. str.	ARTHUR NILSSON & CO.
WEIHAIWEI & TIENSIN	NIPPON	Swed. str.	P. & O. S. N. CO.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	CEYLON	Brit. str.	MELCHERS & CO., LTD.
SHANGHAI, HANKOW, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINZ LUDWIG	Brit. str.	TAJIBINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CHENAN	Brit. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE
SHANGHAI	KWONGGANG	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIPE
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA	PESA	Brit. str.	ARTHUR NILSSON & CO.
SHANGHAI	LINAN	Brit. str.	ON 22nd inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TOTOMI MARU	Jap. str.	ON 23rd inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	WARASA MARU	Brit. str.	ON 23rd inst., p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	NAMSANG	Brit. str.	ON 23rd inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	INDIA	Brit. str.	ON 23rd inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	PALMA	Aus. str.	ON 23rd inst., at 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	DEN OF GLAMIS	Brit. str.	ON 23rd inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	CHIPISSHING	Brit. str.	ON 23rd inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	ON 23rd inst., at 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI	WATOW	Brit. str.	ON 23rd inst., at 11 A.M.
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SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, PALMA AND YOKOHAMA	PALESTINE Capt. H. W. A. Clark, R.N.R.	About 30th Aug.	Freight only.
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	H. W. D. SHALLARD, Acting Superintendent.		

Hongkong, 19th August, 1912.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"TEAN"	On 20th Aug., 4 P.M.
HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	On 1st Aug., 8 A.M.
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	"SUNGKIANG"	On 22nd Aug., 8 A.M.
WEIHAIWEI & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 22nd Aug., Noon.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 22nd Aug., 4 P.M.
NINGPO & SHANGHAI	"HANGCHOW"	On 23rd Aug., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 24th Aug., Mid-night.
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 27th Aug., 4 P.M.
IN CONJUNCTION WITH AUSTRALIAN ORIENTAL LINE.		
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, THURSDAY		
CAIENE, TOWNSVILLE	"CHANGSHA"	On 28th Aug., 4 P.M.
BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE		

AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms. A duly qualified Doctor is carried. REDUCED FARES, Cargo booked through for all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmania Ports.

DIRECT SAILINGS TO WEST RIVER, Twice Weekly.
S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SANU".
MANILA LINE-TWIN SCREW STEAMERS "TEAN" and "TAMING". Saloon accommodation Amidships; Electric Fans fitted; Extra State-rooms on Deck aft. Saloon accommodation of S.S. "KAIFONG" is situated on Deck, aft; Electric Fans fitted. SHANGHAI LINE-FAST SCHEDULE TWIN SCREW STEAMERS ("ANHUI," "CHENAN," "CHINHUA" and "LINAN") with excellent accommodation, Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms and Dining Saloon, leaving Hongkong for Shanghai direct every Thursday and Sunday, taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

N.B.—Passengers must embark before Midnight on SATURDAY, for the SUNDAY morning sailings. A Co.'s launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 o'clock every SATURDAY Night.

These Steamers Land Passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of the transhipment at Woosung.

REDUCED FARES—SINGLE \$45.....RETURN \$75.

NEW SERVICE—SHANGHAI to ANTUNG sailings on alternate Wednesdays.

For Freight or Passage apply to—
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Hongkong, 20th August 1912. TELEPHONE 36. AGENTS.

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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.
IN CONJUNCTION WITH
DEUTSCHE DAMPF SCHIFFAHET GESELLSCHAFT "HANSA."

Regular Sailings from JAPAN, CHINA and PHILIPPINES,
via STRAITS and COLOMBO,
to MARSEILLES, HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG and to NEW YORK.

TAKING Cargo at Through Bales to all European, North Continental and British
Ports, also Trieste, Liben, Oporto, Marselle, Genoa, and other Mediterranean,
Levantine, Black Sea and Ports, and all North and South American Ports.

NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG:

OUTWARD.	HOMEWARD.
HOB SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	FOR HAVRE & HAMBURG: S.S. GOLDENFELS 1st Sept.
S.S. PISA 23rd August.	FOR HAVRE, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG: S.S. ERISGAVIA ... 5th Sept.
S.S. O. J. D. AHLERS ... 28th August.	FOR HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG: S.S. SUEVIA ... 12th Sept.
S.S. C. FERD. LAEISZ 13th Sept.	FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE, HAMBURG & ANWEYER: S.S. PREUSSEN ... 16th Sept.
S.S. ARCADIA ... 24th Sept.	FOR HAVRE & H. MUNIC: S.S. O. J. D. AHLERS 5th Oct.
S.S. SCANDIA ... 10th Oct.	FOR BOSTON & NEW YORK: S.S. AMBRIA ... 31st Aug.
For Further Particulars, apply to— HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.	10

Hongkong, 19th August, 1912.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS

HIGHEST Class, Fastest and Most Luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having Splendid Accommodation for First Class Passengers. Electric Light. Excellent Cuisine.

FOR

SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW

AND RETURN.

(Occupying 9 to 10 Days).

STEAMSHIP

CAPTAIN

LEAVING

"HAIYANG" Capt. A. E. Hodges	TUESDAY, 20th Aug., at 11 A.M.
"HAICHING" Capt. W. C. Russwurm	FRIDAY, 23rd Aug., at 11 A.M.
"HAITAN" Capt. J. S. Beach	TUESDAY, 27th Aug., at 11 A.M.

FOR SWATOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 3 Days).

"HAIMUN" Capt. J. W. Evans	WED'DAY, 21st Aug., at 11 A.M.
	SUNDAY, 25th Aug., at 10 A.M.

Steamers will arrive at and depart from the Company's Wharf near Blake Pier.

During the month of August—Return Tickets available for three months will be issued at a Reduction of 20 per cent. on the usual rate to Foochow.

For Freight and Passage, apply to—
DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 20th August 1912.

THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN

STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

MAIL SERVICE TO AUSTRALIA.

MAIL SCHEDULE
(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION).

STEAMERS	ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA.	LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA.
ALDENHAM	On 23rd Aug., Noon.	
EMPIRE	On 23rd Aug.	On 14th Sept., Noon.

The above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. All State-Rooms have Electric Fans. A duly qualified Doctor and Stewardess are carried. For further particulars apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
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IMPERIAL JAPANESE
TRANS-PACIFIC MAIL LINES.

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Operating the THREE TRIPLE SCREW TURBINE Steamers

CHIYO MARU, SHINYO MARU
TENYO MARU.

Speed 21 KNOTS, Displacement 21,000 TONS.

and the TWIN SCREW S.S.

"NIPPON MARU"

INTERMEDIATE STEAMER.

Speed 18 KNOTS, Displacement 11,000 TONS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMER CAPTAIN DATE OF SAILING.

TENYO MARU E. Bent TUESDAY, 20th Aug., NOON.

SHINYO MARU H. S. Smith TUESDAY, 10th Sept., at Noon.

CHIYO MARU W. W. Greene TUESDAY, 8th Oct., at Noon.

NIPPON MARU A. G. Slovens TUESDAY, 29th Oct., at Noon.

THE S.S. "TENYO MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, KOKKAICHI, YOKONAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 20th August, at Noon.

SOUTH AMERICA LINE.

(In Connection with the NATIONAL RAILWAYS of MEXICO at MANZANILLO and the TEHUANTEPEC NATIONAL RAILWAY at SALINA CRUZ.)

The Only Regular Direct Service to MEXICAN, CHILIAN and PERUVIAN PORTS

The Steamers—

BUYO MARU, HONGKONG MARU and KYO MARU

Ply between HONGKONG and CORONEL via MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU, MANZANILLO, SALINA CRUZ, CALLAO, ARICA, IQUIQUE and VALPARAISO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMER TONS DATE OF SAILING.

BUYO MARU 10,500 FRIDAY, 4th Oct., at Noon.

HONGKONG MARU 11,000 TUESDAY, 3rd Dec., at Noon.

KYO MARU 17,500 SATURDAY, 1st Feb., at Noon.

ALL STEAMERS are equipped with JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WIRELESS TELEGRAPH APPARATUS and POST OFFICES.

SPECIAL RATES—To OFFICERS of the ARMY and NAVY, members of the CIVIL and CONSULAR SERVICES, and to MISSIONARIES.

Through bookings to all important points and AROUND THE WORLD.

For Full Particulars as to Passage and Freight, apply to

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MAIL SERVICE TO AND FROM

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FAST LINE.
in 58 hours.

S.S. "SI-KIANG," Capt. E. de Catalano.

(1ST AND 2ND CLASSES) will leave Hongkong for

KWANG CHOW WANG and HAIPHONG,

on WEDNESDAY, the 28th Aug., 1912, at 9 A.M.

For Passages and Freight apply to

P. THOMAS, M.M. Co.'s AGENT.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR SERVICES, PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(Subject to Alteration).

Connecting at TACOMA with
THE CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE and PUGET SOUND RAILWAY

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(The only direct train service, without transhipment, also shortest and fastest route, from the Pacific Coast to Chicago). Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Overland Common Points in the U.S.A. and Canada, also to the principal ports in Mexico, Central and South America.

VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOAKI, SHIMIZU and YOKOHAMA ...

SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE ...

TEPLITZ WATER

A most delicious TABLE-WATER for the HOT SEASON:

\$18 PER CASE OF 100 PINTS.

General Agent for Hongkong and China:

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Hongkong, 16th August, 1912.

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OBTAIABLE FROM—

THE SINCERE CO., LTD.,

SUB-AGENT FOR HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 16th August, 1912.

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POST OFFICE NOTICE

* * Only fully prepaid Letters and Post Cards are transmissible by the SIBERIAN ROUTE to EUROPE.

Letters for this route should be superscribed via SIBERIA.

The *Lenan*, with the Siberian Mail, is due to arrive here on Thursday, the 22nd inst.

The *Prinz Ludwig*, with the German Mail, left Singapore on Sunday, the 18th inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on Thursday, the 22nd inst., at 8 a.m.

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Pakhoi, Haiphong and Saigon	Hanoi	Tuesday, 20th, 9.00 A.M.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Tuesday, 20th, 10.00 A.M.	
		Tuesday, 20th, Printed Matter, and Samples ... 10.00 A.M.	
		Registration ... 10.15 A.M.	
		(Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 11.00 A.M.)	
		Registration Kowloon B.O. ... 9.30 A.M.	
		Letters ... 11.00 A.M.	
Formosa via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN via NAGASAKI, HONOLULU, CANADA, UNITED STATES and SOUTH AMERICA via SAN FRANCISCO (EUROPE via SIBERIA)	Tenglo Maru	Tuesday, 20th, Printed Matter, and Samples ... 10.00 A.M.	
		Registration ... 10.15 A.M.	
		(Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 11.00 A.M.)	
		Registration Kowloon B.O. ... 9.30 A.M.	
		Letters ... 11.00 A.M.	
Macao	Sui Tai	Tuesday, 20th, 1.15 P.M.	
Philippines Islands	Tsim	Tuesday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.	
Japan via Yokohama	Multrai	Tuesday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.	
Holbow and Pakhoi	Michael Jason	Tuesday, 20th, 5.00 P.M.	
Straits	Jason	Tuesday, 20th, 5.03 P.M.	
Straits	Damodocous	Tuesday, 20th, 5.00 P.M.	
Japan via Kobe	Prins Sigismond	Tuesday, 20th, 5.00 P.M.	
Swatow, Amoy, and Formosa via Anping	Soochi Maru	Wednesday, 21st, 9.00 A.M.	
Shanghai, North China, and Japan via Kobe	Nansang	Wednesday, 21st, 10.00 A.M.	
Swatow	Hainan	Wednesday, 21st, 10.00 A.M.	
		Registration ... 10.15 A.M.	
		(Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 11.00 A.M.)	
		Registration Kowloon B.O. ... 9.30 A.M.	
		Letters ... 11.00 A.M.	
Streets, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEM, EGYPT, and EUROPE via NAPLES (Late Letters 11 to 11.30 A.M. Extra postage 10 cents)	Diluare	Wednesday, 21st, NOON	
Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail	Sui Tai	Wednesday, 21st, 1.15 P.M.	
Strait and India via Calcutta	Zafiro	Wednesday, 21st, 3.00 P.M.	
Macao	Sangkian	Wednesday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.	
Philippines Islands	Haiyow	Thursday, 22nd, 11.00 A.M.	
Weihaiwei and Tientsin	Sui Tai	Thursday, 22nd, 1.15 P.M.	
Macao	Chenari	Thursday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.	
Shanghai and North China	Prins Ludvig	Thursday, 22nd, 5.00 P.M.	
SWANCHI, NORTH CHINA and JAPAN via NAGASAKI (EUROPE via SIBERIA)	Haitching	Friday, 23rd, 10.00 A.M.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Kwongang	Friday, 23rd, 11.00 A.M.	
Shanghai and North China	Sui Tai	Friday, 23rd, 1.15 P.M.	
Macao	Jangchow	Friday, 23rd, 3.00 P.M.	
Ningpo, Shanghai and North China	Aldenhain	Saturday, 24th, 11.00 A.M.	
Philippines Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand	Chungsang	Saturday, 24th, 1.10 A.M.	
Strait and Southern	Loongpong	Saturday, 24th, 1.00 P.M.	
Philippines Islands	Sui Tai	Saturday, 24th, 1.15 P.M.	
Macao	Linton	Saturday, 24th, 5.00 P.M.	
Shanghai and North China	Chipshing	Saturday, 24th, 5.00 P.M.	
Swatow		Saturday, 24th, Printed Matter and Samples ... 4.00 P.M.	
		Registration ... 3.15 P.M.	
		(Registration with late fee of 10 cents up to 4.00 P.M.)	
		Registration Kowloon B.O. ... 9.30 A.M.	
		Letters ... 11.00 A.M.	
SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN, via NAGASAKI, UNITED STATES, SOUTH AMERICA, CANADA via VANCOUVER and UNITED KINGDOM via CANADA (EUROPE via SIBERIA)	Express of India	Sunday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hainan	Tuesday, 27th, 10.00 A.M.	
Philippines Islands	Haitan	Tuesday, 27th, 5.00 P.M.	
Formosa via Keelung, Shantung, North China, Japan via Moji, Victoria, B.C., and Seattle (Wash.)	Kaisou	Tuesday, 27th, 5.00 P.M.	
Straits and Burma	Inaba Maru	Tuesday, 27th, 3.00 P.M.	
Philippines Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand	Iota	Wednesday, 28th, 11.00 A.M.	
Strait and Southern	Changsha	Wednesday, 28th, 3.00 P.M.	
Philippines Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand		Saturday, 31st, Printed Matter and Samples ... 10.00 A.M.	
STRATES, BUGIAH, CEYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEM, EGYPT and EUROPE via BRINDISH (Late Letters 11.00 to NOON, Extra postage 10 cents)		Registration ... 10.15 A.M.	
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents)		Registration with late fee of 10 cents up to 11.00 A.M.)	
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)		Registration Kowloon B.O. ... 9.30 A.M.	
The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday the 30th instant, at 5 p.m.	Assays	Letters ... 11.00 A.M.	

COMMERCIAL

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

August 19th,

On LONDON:	Telegraphic Transfer	2/-
	Bank Bills, on demand	2/-
	Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	2/-
	Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/-
	Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/-
	Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/-
On PARIS:	Bank Bills, on demand	25/-
	Credits, at 4 months' sight	25/-
On GERMANY:	On demand	20/-
On NEW YORK:	Bank Bills, on demand	49/-
	Credits, at 60 days' sight	50/-
On HONGKONG:	Bank Bills, on demand	12/-
	Credits, at 60 days' sight	12/-
On HOMBAT:	Telegraphic Transfer	15/-
	Bank, on demand	15/-
On CALCUTTA:	Telegraphic Transfer	15/-
	Bank, on demand	15/-
On SHANGHAI:	Bank, at sight	73/-
	Printed, 30 days' sight	74/-
On YOKOHAMA:	On demand	98/-
On MANILA:	On demand—Pesos	99/-
On SINGAPORE:	On demand	86/-
On BATAVIA:	On demand	121/-
On HAIPHONG:	On demand	14/-
On SAIGON:	On demand	15/-
On BANGKOK:	On demand	15/-
SOVEREIGNs, Bank's Buying Rate	19.85	
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	\$52.00	
HAB SHIVAR, per oz.	29/-	

SUBSIDARY COINS.

per cent

Chinese	20 cents pieces	\$.583 discount
Chinese	10 "	\$.30
Hongkong	20 "	\$.20
Hongkong	10 "	\$.10

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, 19th August, 1912.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.
BANKS—				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	1800, £100, E100, E100, E100.
China Borneo Co., Limited	60,000	\$12	all	89
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$5	all	1.95
China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., COTTON MILLS—	200,000	\$10	all	84, sal. & sel.
Two Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 98
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	all	55, sellers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$72	all	322
DOCKS AND WHARFS—				
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	61, sal. & buy.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	64, sales
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$6	all	56
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 50
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 96
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$16	all	53.80, sellers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	5223, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	8,000	\$50	all	514, buyers
Manila Metropole Hotel Limited	16,000	\$25	all	575, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	all	519, div.
Hongkong Rosa Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	510, sel.
Hongkong South China Steam				